



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

IDLEWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 6, 2025 | 10:00 A.M.

**Bold text is read
by the congregation.**

***Asterisk indicates when to
rise in body or in spirit.**

**Please sign the friendship
pad** so we may take note of
your presence and you may
greet your neighbors by
name.

The Call to Worship is based
upon Psalm 63:1-8.



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strong 17th-century German
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from the psalms, especially
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thanks in part to its stirring
tune.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

CANTILENA

FRANCIS POULENC

NOAH LIVINGSTON, FLUTE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

THE REVEREND COURTNEY VEAZEY

O God, you are our God.

We seek you.
Our souls thirst for you.
Our flesh faints for you
as in a dry and weary land
where there is no water.

O God, you are our God.

We look upon you in the sanctuary.
We behold your power and glory.
We bless you as long as we live.
We lift up our hands and call on your name.

O God, you are our God.

Satisfy our souls as with a rich feast,
and uphold us with your hand
as our souls cling to you
with praises, meditations, and songs.

*HYMN OF CELEBRATION NO. 35

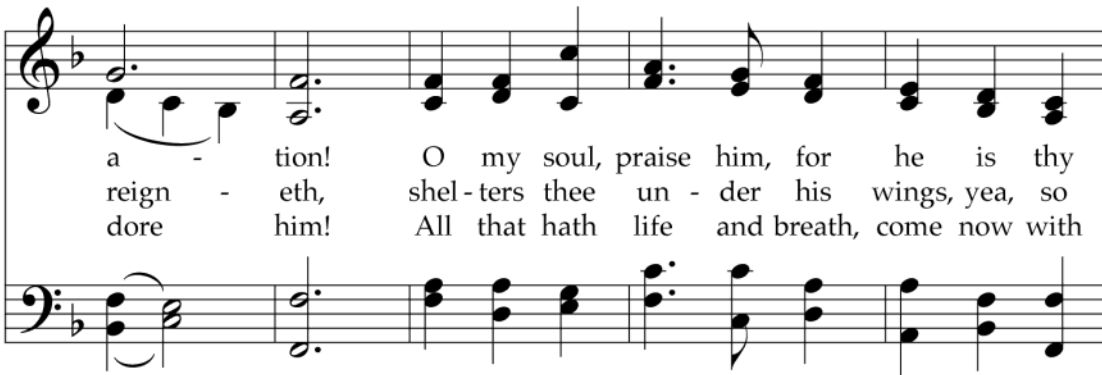
LOBE DEN HERREN

PRAISE YE THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

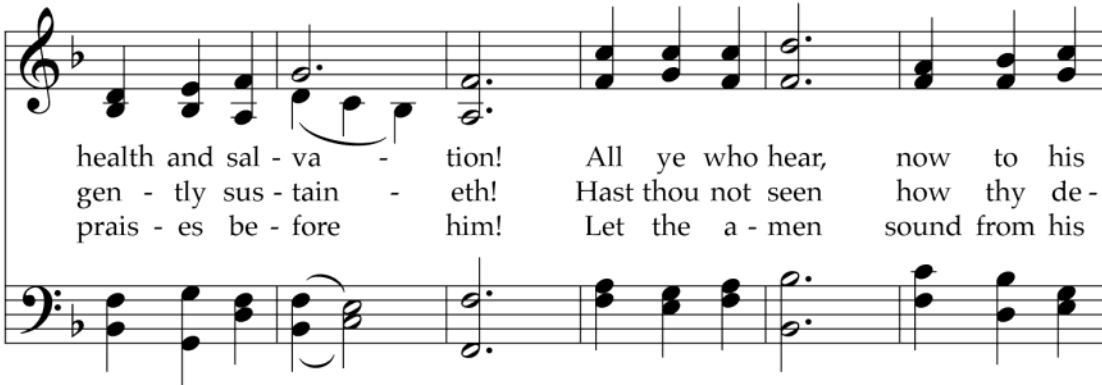
35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty



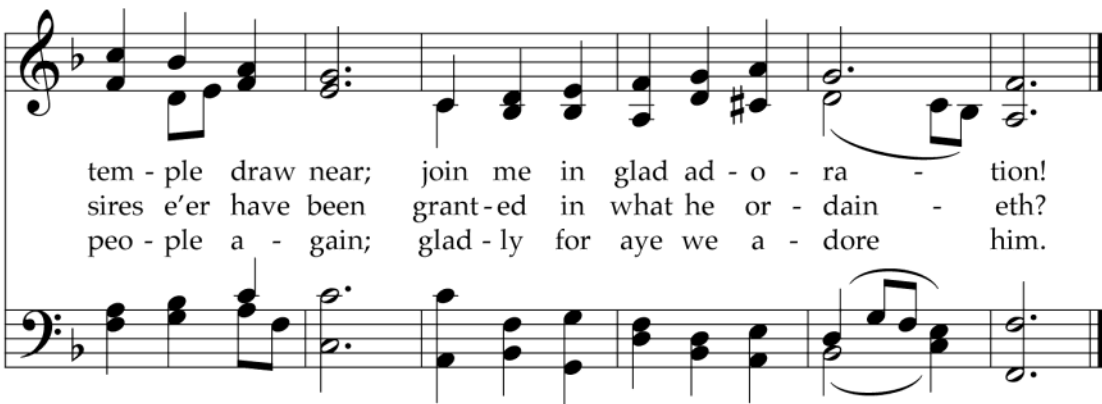
1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly
 3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

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*The Prayer of Confession is
inspired by Amos 8:4-8.*



*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE REVEREND JOSHUA H. NARCISSE

God of rest,
we are tossed about and sunk again
by the distractions of our lives.
In our ceaseless striving,
our trampling on the needy,
our ruining of the land,
our dismissing of the Sabbath,
we fail to feast
upon the bread of your Presence.
Forgive our inattentiveness
and our misdirected priorities.
Transform our harried restlessness
into holy groundedness.

(Silent Confession)

*RESPONSE NO. 587

ALLELUIA

CELTIC ALLELUIA



*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE NO. 581

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

GLORIA PATRI



Passing of the Peace is one of the most ancient responses in worship. We invite you to share a sign of peace with your neighbor.



As children come forward during the gathering hymn, you are invited to pass your quarters to the center aisle for the children to collect for their offering. Quarters are sent to the Dougbe Presbyterian River School in Liberia.



At this time, three-year-olds to kindergarteners are welcome to proceed to Worship and Wonder with an adult.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

REV. NARCISSE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you!

HYMN OF GATHERING NO. 175

LAFFERTY

SEEK YE FIRST

1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God
2 Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you;
3 You shall not live by bread a - lone,

and its righ - teous - ness,
seek, and you shall find;
but by ev - ery word

and all these things shall be add - ed un - to you.
knock, and the door shall be o - pened un - to you.
that pro - ceeds from the mouth of God.

Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

REV. NARCISSE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

SHARING THE LIFE AND MINISTRIES OF THE CHURCH

REV. VEAZEY



Found on page 71 Of the Old Testament and page 12 of the New Testament in your pew Bible.

The sermon is a reflection on the day's scriptures, suggesting implications for our faith and life.



Today's Affirmation of Faith is adapted from The Confession of 1967.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

REV. VEAZEY

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

EXODUS 25:23-30

MATTHEW 11:28

SERMON

BREAD OF THE PRESENCE

SILENT REFLECTION

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

REV. NARCISSE

The Lord's Supper is a celebration
of the reconciliation of humanity with God
and with one another,
in which they joyfully eat and drink together
at the table of their Savior.
Partaking in Christ as they eat the bread and drink the wine,
they receive from the risen and living Lord
the benefits of Christ's death and resurrection.
They rejoice in the foretaste of the kingdom,
and go out from the Lord's Table
with courage and hope
for the service to which Christ has called them.



During this time, we invite you to continue your support of the church and her mission. Online giving is available through Realm or through the mail. Those in the sanctuary may place their offering in the plate as it is passed.



OFFERING OUR GIFTS & TITHES

REV. VEAZEY

OFFERTORY

FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

JOHN RUTTER

SUMMER CHOIR

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies, Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light, Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild, Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For each perfect gift of Thine, to our race so freely given, graces human and divine, flowers on earth and buds of heaven, Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise

*RESPONSE

PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow. Praise Christ all crea - tures
here be - low Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise
Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er - more Praise Tri - une God whom we a -
dore Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

REV. VEAZEY



THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

REV. VEAZEY AND REV. NARCISSE

WORDS OF INVITATION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...So we sing with all our ancestors in faith
and with all the angels and all the planets:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

...How great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

...so that one day your world may hunger no more.

Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

VOLUNTARY

ANDANTE

J. S. BACH

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SEND IN GOD'S SPIRIT

*HYMN OF SENDING NO. 182

KINGSFOLD

I HEARD THE VOICE OF JESUS SAY

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

REV. NARCISSE

POSTLUDE

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

ARR. DIANE BISH



Hymn No. 182: Each stanza here pairs an invitation from Jesus with a response from the narrator. These three invitations recall how Jesus welcomed those who were heavy laden (Matthew 11:28), offered living water (John 4:10–14), and identified himself as the light of the world (John 8:12, 9:5).

182 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
 2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
 3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;

lay down, O wea-ry one, lay down your head up-on my breast."
 the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."
 look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."

I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea-ry, worn, and sad; I
 I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life-giv - ing stream; my
 I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun; and

found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.
 thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
 in that light of life I'll walk till trav-eling days are done.

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♦ *this week in print* ♦

Adult Ministry

Adult Forum (July 13, Montgomery Hall, 9 am): Join us for an update from the MidSouth Food Bank!

The Art of Reading (Tuesdays at 2 pm, Room 303): Our next book will be *Absolution* by Alice McDermott.

Outreach

Room in the Inn is a hospitality oriented ministry at Idlewild for our unsheltered neighbors. The Summer Season runs from May – September. Sign up to volunteer at the link below!

Fellowship and Recreation

Community and Connection @ Memphis Riverboat Cruise (July 15 at 2 pm): Join us for a 90-minute sight-seeing tour on the Mississippi River! Snacks and drinks will be available for purchase. Adults are \$20. Kids are \$15. Family cap is \$75. Register on Realm by July 11.

Open Mahjong Play—Now in the Evening! Our Mahjong Ministry at Idlewild is growing, and we're excited to add evening time slots! Sign up using the link in the *This Week at Idlewild* Newsletter or at idlewildchurch.org/fellowship-and-recreation.

Unite Memphis 5K & 1-Mile (September 1, 9:30 am, National Civil Rights Museum): Celebrate 901 Day at the fourth annual Unite Memphis 5k and 1-mile! Whether you walk or run, we hope you'll join the Idlewild team as we unite to bring hope, healing, and unity to our city. Register and join the Idlewild team at the link below.

Children & Youth Ministries

Summer Sunday School (9:00 - 9:45 am): Summer Sunday school is full of laid-back fun. Children ages 3 through 5th grade will gather in the Large Group Sunday School room (326). Middle & High schoolers can join the Adult Forums (Montgomery Hall) or help with Children's Sunday School.

Youth Summer Meetups: We'll have a short Bible lesson at each and lots of time for fellowship and fun. Join us!
Thursday, July 10 | 3:45 - 5:45 pm | Volunteer at More Than a Meal | Chapel
Sunday, July 27 | 3 - 5 pm | Snacks and Games | Youth Room (Jones Building)



Registrations, sign-ups, and other relevant links:
www.idlewildchurch.org/calendar.

WELCOME NOTICES

Welcome to Idlewild! We are glad to have you join us for worship. If you are new to Idlewild, it is our prayer that you will experience the presence of God while you are here. At Idlewild, it is our hope that all who enter find a home.

Children are always welcome in worship. In addition, childcare for children newborns—3 years is available in the Jones Building in Room 153. Children of all ages are invited to pick up a worship packet in the main hallway that can be utilized to enhance their worship experience. During the sanctuary service there is a special Time with the Younger Church.



After, children ages 3 years— kindergarten may go to Worship and Wonder on the third floor of the Jones building. **If you would like your child to attend Worship and Wonder, registration is required** once each semester by scanning the QR code. Parents pick-up children from Worship and Wonder following the conclusion of worship.

New members are received by the Session. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join the Idlewild family. Connect with a Pastor after worship.

Prayer requests are prayed daily by the Community Prayer Ministry Team and the Confidential Prayer Partners. If your prayers are confidential, you may call (901-487-6062) or submit them by email to confidentialprayers@idlewildchurch.org. Otherwise, you can fill out a Community Prayer Request card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or submit them by email to communityprayer@idlewildchurch.org.

If you have a hospitalization, or pastoral care need, please call or text (901) 654-6872. The Pastor on Call will respond as soon as possible. You can also email pastor@idlewildchurch.org.

WORSHIP NOTICES

We welcome Noah Livingston as our flute soloist this morning. Our guest artists are funded by The Cannon Music Trust at Idlewild Presbyterian Church.

The sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God.

Sanctuary flowers are given in honor, celebration, or in appreciation of those we love. We appreciate your generosity in providing flowers to adorn our sanctuary for Sunday services. If you are interested in donating, find the registration page at idlewildchurch.org/flower-dedication.

The 10:00 service is live at youtube.com/@idlewild.church/streams. As always, worship is available by way of the radio on AM560, 96.1FM, or 98.5FM. **Music is printed** under Onelicense.net **A-702280**.



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